Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 18 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 19 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 17 Apr 2021 at 12:06 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high but low confidence for Tuesday for timing of weather front bringing low cloud and patchy rain.

Headline for Sunday 18 Apr 2021: Cloudy with patchy light rain. Cold and windy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 18 Apr 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
				FOG	FOG	MIST	MIST
Cloudy	Light snow	Light rain	Light rain	Fog	Fog	Mist	Mist
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	40%	60%	50%	40%	40%	30%

Forecast for Sunday 18 Apr 2021

Weather: Outbreaks of rain, with a little snow on Munro tops, spreads east in the early hours. A cloudy day with outbreaks of mainly light rain or drizzle, perhaps heavy for a time in the morning over coastal ranges. Most ranges becoming dry in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10-20%.

Visibility: Very poor at height with low cloud, bases 400-600m, becoming extensive by morning. Banks of cloud down to low slopes near the west coast. Below the cloud, generally hazy and falling to a few kilometres in rain or drizzle.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	26/33 SE	27/34 S	23/30 SE	24/32 SE	24/32 S	21/28 S	17/23 S	12/16 SE	15/20 SE
900	18/25 S	19/28 S	18/24 SE	17/24 SE	17/25 S	16/23 S	13/19 SE	10/15 SE	12/17 SE
600	23/30 S	25/32 S	18/25 SE	18/25 S	19/27 S	17/24 S	11/16 S	7/11 E	7/12 SE
300	12/19 SE	12/19 SE	9/16 SE	11/18 S	13/20 S	11/18 S	9/16 S	5/11 SE	5/11 SE
Glen	6/14 S	8/18 S	9/19 S	11/21 S	12/22 S	11/20 S	9/17 S	6/13 S	6/12 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-9	-2/-10	-3/-10	-2/-9	-1/-8	0/-7	0/-6	0/-5	-0/-6
900	0/-6	0/-6	-0/-6	1/-5	2/-3	3/-2	3/-2	2/-2	2/-3
600	5/-0	4/-2	4/-2	4/-1	5/0	6/1	5/2	5/2	5/2
300	6/2	6/2	5/2	6/3	7/3	7/4	7/4	7/5	7/5
Glen	7/5	7/5	6/4	8/5	9/6	9/7	9/7	8/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1100m	1500m	1700m	1900m	1900m	1800m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Difficult navigation conditions at height due to the low cloud. A significant wind chill on the tops, especially in the damp conditions up in the cloud.

Forecast for Monday 19 Apr 2021
Weather: A cloudy start with the odd spot of rain then a mainly dry day with bright or sunny spells. Feeling quite warm on lower slopes. Outbreaks of rain spread slowly east during the evening.

Maximum wind: South 25-30mph, gusts 40mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% becoming 80% by afternoon.

Visibility: Areas of cloud above 500 or 600m at first, lifting by the afternoon with just summit patches remaining. Good visibility below the cloud. Cloud bases lowing to 500 or 600m in the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7C rising to 12 to 14C.
At 800m: Plus 3C rising to 7 or 8C.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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